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In re Application of: )  
 Rendahl et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2863  
 Application No.: 10/075,389 ) Examiner: Kamini S. Shah  
 Filed: February 15, 2002 )  
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 For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETECTION OF HYDROCARBON SPECIES IN  
A GAS**

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Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the non-final Office Action dated April 15, 2003, setting a three month shortened statutory time period for reply. A response is due by July 15, 2003.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in the application.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. Claims 1 -22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Didomenico et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,307,201) in view of Addiego (U.S. Patent No. 6,109,095).

The combination of Didomenico et al. and Addiego taken either alone or in combination fails to teach or suggest the feature of: